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## GLORIA JARA HAASE

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Mr. EASTLAND, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 12959]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 12959) for the relief of Gloria Jara Haase, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

#### PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to facilitate the entry into the United States in an immediate relative status of the alien daughter adopted by citizens of the United States.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is a 21-year-old native and citizen of the Philippine Islands, who presently resides in that country. She was adopted at age 16 by a U.S. citizen member of our Armed Forces and his wife. The beneficiary's mother died when she was 7 months old and the whereabouts of her father are unknown. The adoptive father has been stationed in Ohio since his tour of duty in the Philippines ended in August 1966. The adoptive parents are anxious that their daughter be permitted to join them in this country.

A letter, with attached memorandum, dated September 10, 1969, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives from the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization with reference to the case, reads as follows:

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE,  
WASHINGTON, D.C., *September 10, 1969.*

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,  
*Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,  
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In response to your request for a report relative to the bill (H.R. 12959) for the relief of Gloria Jara Haase, there is attached a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary.

The bill provides that the 20-year-old adopted daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. Russell Haase, citizens of the United States, may be classified as a child and be granted immediate relative status.

Absent enactment of the bill, the beneficiary, a native of the Philippines, would be chargeable to the nonpreference portion of the numerical limitation for immigrants and conditional entrants from countries in the Eastern Hemisphere.

Sincerely,

RAYMOND F. FARRELL,  
*Commissioner.*

Enclosure.

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FROM IMMIGRATION AND  
NATURALIZATION SERVICE FILES RE H.R. 12959

Information concerning this case was obtained from the beneficiary's adoptive parents, Sgt. and Mrs. Russell Haase.

The beneficiary, Gloria Jara Haase, also known as Gloria Jara, is a native and citizen of the Philippines, born on January 14, 1949. She attended primary school for a number of years in her homeland. Sgt. and Mrs. Russell Haase first met the beneficiary in November 1964, during his tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force in the Philippines, when they employed the beneficiary as a maid. The interested parties adopted the beneficiary on July 7, 1965, in the city court of Quezon City, Philippines. The beneficiary has never been in the United States. She remained in the Philippines when the interested parties returned to this country. At present the beneficiary is employed as a maid in the household of Maj. Robert Whitener in Quezon City, Philippines. The beneficiary's natural mother is deceased and the whereabouts of her father has been unknown for over 14 years.

Sgt. Russell Milton Haase and his wife, Yvonne La Vern Haase, nee Hicks, are natives and citizens of the United States, born on August 11, 1932, and February 3, 1937, respectively. After graduating from grade school Sergeant and Mrs. Haase attended high school, he for 2 years and his wife

for 3 months. Sergeant Haase is a member of the U.S. Air Force, earning \$717 a month and his wife is an assistant buyer for a department store earning \$344 a month. Sergeant Haase, has been stationed in Ohio since his tour of duty in the Philippines ended in August 1966. The interested parties' assets consist of \$1,400 in cash savings and personal property approximating \$5,600 in value. Sergeant Haase's father, a widower, and a sister reside in Ohio. A second sister lives in Nebraska. Mrs. Haase's father resides in Illinois and her mother lives in Ohio.

Sergeant Haase's first marriage on September 16, 1953, in England to Norma Lyon, a British subject, terminated by divorce in this country on January 2, 1962. A son, Kerry Haase, was born of this marriage in Ohio on May 22, 1955, and resides with his mother, a permanent resident in Florida. Sergeant Haase sends his former wife \$167 a month toward the son's support. Mrs. Haase's first marriage on December 27, 1952, to Thomas C. Caruso terminated by divorce on January 6, 1958. Two daughters, Deborah Ann Caruso and Brenda Jo Caruso, were born of this union in this country on September 23, 1953, and December 11, 1954, respectively. The daughters have been adopted by Sergeant Haase and reside with the interested parties. Mrs. Haase receives \$160 a month support money for her daughters from her former husband. Mrs. Haase's second marriage on April 12, 1958, to Bernard Helfman terminated by divorce on March 23, 1964. A daughter, Tamara Lyn Helfman, was born of this union in Maryland on November 3, 1958. She also resides with the interested parties but has not been adopted by Sergeant Haase. The interested parties were married on March 28, 1964, in Fairborn, Ohio. However, no children have been born of this union.

The Department of State submitted the following report on the bill dated January 20, 1970, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
*Washington, D.C., January 20, 1970.*

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,  
*Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In reference to your request for a report concerning the case of Gloria Jara Haase, beneficiary of H.R. 12959, 91st Congress, there is enclosed a memorandum of information concerning the beneficiary. This memorandum has been submitted by the American Embassy at Manila, Philippines, in whose consular jurisdiction the beneficiary resides.

The bill would provide for the beneficiary's classification as a child and for granting of immediate relative status upon approval of a petition filed by Sergeant and Mrs. Russell Haase, U.S. citizens.

Sincerely yours,

H. G. TORBERT, JR.,  
*Acting Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations.*

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION CONCERNING H.R. 12959, 91ST  
CONGRESS, FOR THE RELIEF OF GLORIA JARA HAASE, SUBMITTED  
BY THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, MANILA, PHILIPPINES

Miss Gloria Jara Haase was born January 14, 1949, at Quezon City, Philippines. She is presently working as a cook in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitener at 33 Kayumannggi Street, West Triangle Homes, Quezon City, Philippines.

Miss Haase does not know her natural father, and was told by her aunt, with whom she lived until 1964, that her mother died when she was 7 months old. She has no brothers or sisters. The beneficiary was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Haase under Philippine law on July 7, 1965. There are three certified copies of the adoption decree attached. Mr. and Mrs. Haase are presently residing in the United States at 7400 Rt. 48, Union, Ohio.

According to Miss Haase, she began working for Mr. and Mrs. Haase as a domestic maid in late 1964 or early 1965. She lived with the family until August 1967 when they were transferred to the United States. After Mr. and Mrs. Haase left she went to live with a friend, Miss Gloria Dante. While living with Miss Dante, she started a course in hairdressing which she did not complete. She began working for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitener in December 1968.

In early 1966 Mr. and Mrs. Haase applied for an immigrant visa for Gloria. They were informed that Gloria could not be considered their child for immigrant visa purposes since she was not adopted prior to the age of 14; and that she was chargeable to the heavily oversubscribed Philippine non-preference category. No further action was taken with the visa application.

A medical examination dated December 11, 1969, shows that the beneficiary is in good health. A routine clearance investigation revealed no derogatory information.

Republic of the Philippines, in the City Court of Quezon City,  
Branch III

*In the matter of the adoption of*

GLORIA JA.

(Sp. Proc. No. 284)

RUSSEL M. HAASE, Petitioner

DECISION

This is a verified petition for adoption filed by the petitioners through counsel praying for the adoption of one Gloria Jara, 16 years of age, and it appearing that the petition is sufficient in form and in substance was ordered published setting the hearing on June 5, 1965, at 9:00 a.m. on which date and hour any interested parties may appear and to show cause why the said petition should not be granted.



At the hearing of this case the counsel for the petitioner before presenting the witnesses offered in evidence the affidavit of publication and the issues thereon as exhibits "A", "A-1", "A-2" and "A-3". The counsel for the petitioners presented Mr. Russel Milton Haase, 33 years old, and his wife, Yvonne L. Helfman, and Gloria Jara the subject of this petition of which this Court adduced the following facts to wit: That the petitioners herein are husband and wife they having been married on March 28, 1964; That before Yvonne L. Helfman got married with the petitioner herein she has three children by the first marriage and later on she got a divorce: That as per medical examination conducted upon the person of Yvonne L. Helfman she is permanently disabled as far as bearing children is concerned (Exh. "D") medical certificate; That the petitioner being in such a predicament wishes to adopt Gloria Jara, a minor 16 years of age; (Exhs. "F" and "H"); That the said minor's mother is now deceased and her father deserted his family and was not heard from for the last ten (10) years and the only one who could give the consent for her adoption is her aunt Agripina Jara of Bulan Sorsogon (Exhs. "G") affidavit of consent; That Gloria Jara came in custody of the petitioner seven (7) months ago from the date of the hearing and in view of her excellent virtues she was endeared to the petitioner and have considered her as one of their own daughters; That the petitioners herein arrived in the Philippines last November 1964; and is permanently assigned to the Philippines as technical adviser to the Philippine Air Force; That the wife of the petitioner and Gloria Jara when informed of the consequences of this petition voluntarily gave their consent to this petition; That the petitioner has a good moral character nor has he been convicted of any crime against moral turpitude.

Wherefore, considering that the petitioner herein possesses all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications, this Court believes that this is a proper case of adoption and therefore for all legal intents and purposes adjudged Gloria Jara as the legal child of Russell M. Haase and is free from all legal obedience with respect to her natural parents. The surname of Gloria Jara is hereby changed to Haase the surname of the petitioner and let a copy of this order be furnished the Local Civil Registrar of Quezon City for record purposes.

So ordered.

Quezon City, Philippines, July 7, 1965.

(Sgd) DAMIAN L. JIMENEZ,  
*Judge.*

Copy furnished:

The Solicitor General, Manila.

Atty. Celso B. Poblete (counsel for petitioner) 2d floor,  
EMA Bldg., 459 Plaza Sta., Cruz, Manila.

The local civil registrar, Quezon.

certified TRUE COPY: 9-10-65

JOSE L. RIVERA,

*Deputy Clerk of Court.*

Congressman William M. McCulloch, the author of the bill, appeared before a subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives and made the following statement in support of the bill:

Mr. Chairman, I wish to thank you and members of the subcommittee for your consideration of my bill, H.R. 12959, for the benefit of Gloria Jara Haase.

Sergeant Haase and his wife adopted Gloria in 1965, when he was stationed in the Philippines. Gloria was then 16 years old. Sergeant Haase was transferred to the United States in 1967. Gloria, being over 14 years of age when adopted, and having lived with the Haase's less than 2 years after adoption, was not eligible, under the provisions of the Immigration Act, to be admitted to the United States with the family. They attempted to qualify Gloria for admission to the United States in her own right, but found the Philippine sixth preference and non-preference visa waiting lists so backlogged as to indicate that it will be many years before she would be reached.

For this reason Gloria was left behind by her family and has supported herself as a domestic in the home of another U.S. Army officer.

Sergeant Haase is a native born citizen and a career serviceman with 19 years in the Army and a fine record. He has purchased a home in Ohio in my district and upon retirement plans to make a home there for his family consisting of his wife, Gloria and the three daughters of Mrs. Haase.

Gloria first came to the Haase household as a domestic and is now so employed. She has had some training as a beautician. Sergeant Haase has written to me of their plans to have Gloria continue her education upon resuming her place in their home. In the file you will find letters and affidavits from family friends testifying to the validity of the family relationship existing between Gloria and the Haases. A touching letter from Gloria to her parents is also enclosed.

Gloria never knew her natural father and her mother died when she was 7 months old. She has no natural brothers and sisters and was raised by an aunt. The enactment of H.R. 12959 would reunite Gloria with the Haase daughters who consider her as a sister and will bring her again to the only true family she has ever known.

I urge your favorable consideration.

Congressman McCulloch also submitted the following letters in support of the bill:

OCTOBER 3, 1969.

Hon. W. M. McCULLOCH,  
*House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. McCULLOCH: We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the information you furnished us in your letter of September 23, 1969, concerning the progress of the private bill for the benefit of Gloria.

We will immediately contact fellow members of the Armed Forces that were living in the Philippines at the time Gloria lived with us and when we adopted her, to establish that a bona fide daughter-parent relationship did exist. These we will forward to you as soon as we receive them. As for knowledge that this relationship will continue should Gloria be admitted to the United States, I can probably only get affidavits from family members (in-laws) as to the letters, birthday, Christmas, and special occasion cards that are exchanged by all of us (to include these in-laws) and our sincerity and love for Gloria in this matter. As for my financial ability to support and furnish Gloria with an education—it is something which I know I can do but could hardly do more than make a statement to this effect. My wife's and my income is already listed in the memorandum furnished by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

At this point I would like to point out that there are many discrepancies in the memorandum from the Immigration and Naturalization Service and at this time I would like to point them out. I, Russell M. Haase did attend high school for 4 years and graduated—not 2 years as stated. My total monthly pay and allowances is \$785.40 and not \$717. The child by my first wife, Norma Lyon is a girl named Kerry Lynn Haase and not a son as listed. The amount of child support I furnish my former wife for child support is \$157 and not \$167. I would like to add that my ex-wife is remarried and they plan to reduce the amount of child support in the near future. Two daughters of my wife, Deborah Ann and Brenda Jo, do not receive support from their ex-father as I have adopted them. Bernard Helfman, Mrs. Haase's second husband pays \$80 a month for the support of my step-daughter, Tamara Lynn Helfman, and not \$160.

We were amazed at the many errors mentioned above and sincerely hope that you can get this matter corrected.

We sincerely hope that the committee will take into consideration that Gloria will be expected to help with household chores much the same as all three of our daughters now living with us have to do, but most certainly not in the manner of a maid. As every family man and woman knows, each member of the household must carry a fair share of tasks that need to be done in order to maintain a home.

For your information, which you may use in any way you see fit, my wife and I purchased a wonderful 1½ story frame house on one acre of land in August 1968. This house was appraised at \$25,000. Naturally along with this house come some additional expenses and some needed items of furniture which were partly financed. A credit check on me and my payment records would reveal a very high rating. With the advent of the last military pay raise in July, we have started a savings program of \$50 monthly and plan to increase this amount when my ex-wife reduces the amount of child support I now pay for Kerry Lynn.

Sir, I now have over 18½ years of honorable military active duty, all of which has been highly productive and all of my performance reports have been outstanding. I have twice been awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal and have received numerous letters of commendation and appreciation from both civilian firms and officers to include generals. I mention this not to pat myself on the back but to try to prove that I am competent and honest and that I most certainly would never try to bring a girl, whom I have adopted, to the United States to be used as a maid in my home.

It was through our love and affection that we adopted Gloria wanting her to be a permanent member of our family. It is to this end that we hope and pray that the Commission, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Houses of Congress, and all concerned will pass favorably upon the bill (H.R. 12959) to allow Gloria to join us and once again we can become a whole and happy family.

Again thank you for all of your work and efforts in this matter.

Sincerely,

RUSSELL HAASE, *SMSgt. USAF.*

UNION, OHIO.

Hon. WILLIAM M. McCULLOCH,  
2186 Rayburn Office Building,  
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SIR: In reply to your letter of November 1969, re H.R. 12959 in support of our daughter Gloria Haase to be admitted into the United States the following information is submitted.

*Monthly gross pay*

Sergeant Haase-----	\$785. 40
Mrs. Haase-----	372. 66
Child support (Tamara)-----	80. 00
Total -----	1, 238. 06
Monthly gross pay-----	1, 238. 06
Deductions and payments-----	733, 96
Balance -----	505. 10

*Monthly deductions and payments*

Child support-----	157. 00
Average monthly cost of food and household items-----	120. 80
Car payment-----	77. 34
Furniture, washer, and dryer-----	54. 26
House payment includes taxes, all insurance-----	191. 98
Life insurance premiums-----	23. 90
Sgt. F.I.C.A-----	29. 72
Mrs. Haase Federal and city income tax-----	61. 06
Mrs. Haase F.I.C.A-----	17. 90
Total -----	733. 96

It is difficult to tell the exact amount of Federal income tax is taken out of my pay as I claim one deduction all year so that more tax is taken out although I have five deductions to declare. Each year I receive a refund on my income tax; as an example our refund for 1963 was \$394.31 and should be larger this year. From the \$505.10 which is left after monthly deduction there are expenses for clothes, car insurance, housing maintenance, etc., plus an amount set aside for savings.

It should be noted that as I am a career military man the medical expenses for me and my family are covered by the Government. This will be continued when I retire from the Air Force in February 1971 when I complete 20 years active military duty. In 1971, upon my retirement I will draw approximately \$320 monthly retirement pay, the income I will make working at my next career.



As for furthering Gloria's education upon her arrival in the United States, if H.R. 12959 is passed, there are no firm plans at this time. Gloria will be 21 years of age in January 1970 and it will have to be part of her decision as to what course she wants to pursue. After we left her in the Philippines and returned to the United States, she started to attend beautician's schooling but this was halted because of illness which led to her being hospitalized and operated on. As quite a period of time had lapsed during her illness, she did not return to the beautician's school. Some of the possibilities of her future education are; completion of beautician's school, a high school correspondence course leading to a high school diploma, or attending a vocational school. One such vocational school is being built in Englewood, Ohio, near our home. Although it is not completed at this time, future plans are for the training of adult persons. As Gloria will want to become a naturalized citizen of the United States she will have to spend much of her time studying the history of our country, our system of Government the Constitution of the United States, The Bill of Rights and many other things which have formed and governed our great country.

Mr. McCulloch, I hope the Members of Congress and the Immigration and Naturalization's Subcommittee will realize that Gloria will have to go through a transition period upon her arrival in the United States. Although she is familiar with many American customs and ways of life, we are sure that she cannot even imagine the great difference between life in the United States and the Philippines where there is so much crime, graft, corruption, and poverty. With this in mind, it is not natural for any person to want to be forced into some preplanned school or institution of higher learning until this transition has been made.

Very sincerely yours,

SGT. AND MRS. RUSSELL HAASE.

UNION, OHIO.

Hon. WILLIAM M. McCULLOCH,  
2186 Rayburn Office Building,  
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SIR: We are forwarding these statements to you in support of our request for our adopted daughter, Gloria Haase, to be admitted to the United States under H.R. 12959.

We were only able to contact one family with whom we had a close relationship while we were living in the Philippines. This is Mr. and Mrs. John Papeun who knew our relationship with Gloria very well. Being in the military service and having military friends, it is very hard to keep track of them because of many changes of stations, retirements, etc.

There is also a letter enclosed from Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ott, Mrs. Haase's parents, who have come to know Gloria and love her through their correspondence. Through family discussions here in our home, our daughters also know of the help you are trying to give us and wanted to know if they could write a letter also. Sir, the letters from Debbie, Brenda, and Tammy are from their own thoughts, feelings, and desires and not something they did at our request.

We received a letter from Gloria on November 1 and she told us that she had been to the consul at the Embassy in Manila again but they told her they couldn't put her name on the waiting list for immigrants.

If there is anything else we can do or if there is any information you can give us at this time please write to us. We know you are doing all you can, but no one has contacted us for any kind of investigation, information or anything else. Thanking you for all of your assistance I remain,

Sincerely yours,

RUSSELL M. HAASE.

HAMPTON, VA.

Re H.R. 12959.

*To Whom It May Concern:*

This is to inform you that we, John James and Shirley Ann Papcun, have known Russell M. Yvonne L. Haase since 1964, and consider them very close friends.

During the 5 years we have known them we found them to be a devoted couple, and conscientious and dedicated parents. Their three children are well-behaved and very well-mannered.

Reference the case of Miss Gloria Haase, their adopted daughter. We have been aware of this situation since Gloria was adopted. Since that time many attempts have been made to enable Gloria to be brought to the United States, without success.

Gloria was originally hired by the Haase's as a maid, but during the brief time she was associated with them, she was considered so much a part of the family that the decision was made to adopt her into the family.

We are sure that if H.R. 12959 is passed, and Gloria is permitted to come to the United States, she will be treated as one of the family, with a daughter's privileges and responsibilities.

JOHN J. PAPCUN  
SHIRLEY A. PAPCUN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of October 1969.

HELEN S. BOGERT.  
*Notary Public.*

My Commission Expires June 15, 1970.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, *October 22, 1969.*

DEAR SIR: I am writing to you in regards to my son-in-law, Russell Haase, and a young girl that he and his wife adopted.

They were stationed in the Philippines and fell in love with a girl, who at that time worked for them. When they were sent back to the States they adopted this girl. This was done with the love of a parent. They couldn't bring her back with them. Since they are back in the States, they have been sending her letters and money. This also is being done with the love of parents.

My wife and I have been writing to her and receiving letters from her. She addresses us as Grandma and Grandpa. We consider her one of our grandchildren.

Please see if you can help get her into the States.

Thanks a million.

I understand you are helping us get this girl over here. This will surely be appreciated.

Thank you,

Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD OTT,  
*Parents of Mrs. Russell Haase.*

Signed in my presence this 22d day of October 1969.

ANTHONY J. GLASSMEYER,  
*Notary Public.*

My commission expires May 25, 1972.

UNION, OHIO.

HON. WILLIAM M. McCULLOCH,  
*2186 Rayburn Office Building,  
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR CONGRESSMAN: I am writing to you to tell you how I feel about Gloria, my sister. Gloria means a lot to me and my family. I love Gloria because she treated me as I was her own sister. My love for Gloria is very strong and hard to measure. I wish Gloria had been born into our family so we would not be separated by miles and miles of land and water. When Gloria comes over she is going to have a room with me and I hope and pray that day may be soon. So would you please help Gloria to come home and live with us.

Sincerely yours,

DEBBIE HAASE.

UNION, OHIO.

DEAR SIR: We are getting letters from you about our sister Gloria, and we are all praying that you and me are trying our hardest to bring her to the States, because we all love her very much. And we don't want her to be our maid. But we want her to be our sister. Every night I ask the Lord to help us to bring her here. I haven't seen my sister Gloria for 4 years, and I'd give anything to see her again, and as soon as she gets here we have a puppie for her. We named it Fighter. Because her dog died and she always named it that. And you will never see a dog spoiled as much as Fighter. And thank you for trying your hardest, and we'll keep trying our hardest.

Sincerely,

TAMMY HELFMAN.

UNION, OHIO, *October 18, 1969.*

HON. WILLIAM M. McCULLOCH,  
*Rayburn Office Building,  
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SIR: I am writing in regards to my sister, Gloria. My mother and father tell us girls about how Congress is doing on the bill you submitted in our behalf, for bringing Gloria to the States.

I know about some people thinking that we want her for a maid. I love Gloria very much and I pray for her to come to the States every night. I know she prays to come here and live with us. Gloria is and always will be my sister and my grandparents and family help her in

any way they can to see that she can come to the States. We've been waiting for about 4 years for her to come to the States and we haven't lost hope yet. You don't know how glad I was to hear that we had someone to help us with Gloria and I know Gloria must have been so happy too. I know with the help of you and God, Gloria will be able to come back to the States.

I want to thank you again for what you are doing and have done for us and Gloria.

Yours truly,

BRENDA HAASE.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H.R. 12959) should be enacted.

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